

P2PROJECTS – Biological Conservation

– MASTER LIST IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER

Successes:

- Spring 2002 began: **Plum Brook bald eagle nest**. The bald eagle is listed as threatened on the US Fish and Wildlife website, and endangered on the Ohio Department of Natural Resources website. Impacts to the eagles and their nest are taken into consideration when projects are considered, and casual periodic monitoring is done. Involved: Bob Lallier.
- April 2003 – During Earth Week, **Staples** was brought in to display due to their policies **against old-growth logging**. Involved: Earth Day Committee, Kathy Smith, Bill Howser, Michelle Kenzig, Linda Sekura.
- Summer 2003 listed: **Endangered species** mapping and monitoring at GRC and Plum Brook. Taking measures to avoid adverse impacts and encourage growth. Involved: Rich Kalynchuk.
- Summer 2003 listed: Discouraging proliferation of **Invasive species**. Involved: Rich Kalynchuk.
- Summer of 2003 – **Humane bird control**: Building 333 reported massive bird droppings being deposited from two trees in front of their building. There were numerous mourning doves that on the two trees in front of the building, on the limbs over the sidewalk. Droppings would cover the sidewalk. After ruling out many alternatives - with Don Musick's permission, aluminum foil was wrapped around the limbs hanging over the sidewalk. The foil was "pinched" in areas on top of the branches to discourage perching. Initial results, covering most of the branches, indicate this procedure is working. Involved: Don Fong, Don Musick, Linda Sekura. (See the write-up on the Sustainable Design page, Services section, on the P2 website.)

Work in Progress:

- Summer 2002 began: **Plum Brook Prairie Restoration** – Plum Brook staff has met with the USDA to discuss restoration techniques. During February 2003, a Species Management Plan was put together. On May 7, 2003, the field was brush-hogged and burning completed. Deer culling was accomplished during the winter of 2003/2004, with the deer being donated to a local soup kitchen. Involved: Bob Lallier.
- Summer 2002: **Salmonid species**: Need to write background.

- Summer 2002: **AIRPORT EXPANSION / CLASS 3 WETLANDS** issues: An article is in progress. (See also Recycling and Other Large Projects.)
- Summer 2003: Rich Kalynchuk began **GIS, Autocad, Resource Management** training to better manage GRC's natural and cultural resources.
- Winter 2003/2004: A **nature trail** at Lewis Field is being discussed. Involved: Rich Kalynchuk, Linda Sekura.

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